



**Skeena-Queen Charlotte
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1	General Economy
<p>Municipalities in Regional District: Masset, Port Clements, Port Edward, Prince Rupert</p> <p>The main economic activities include fishing, forestry, energy, transportation and tourism. Prince Rupert's inter-modal port opened in the fall of 2007 and further expansion is planned to increase capacity by 2012. A wind farm is also proposed for this area. The area has a few mills, some of which have announced closures or output reductions. There are many nature based tourism activities in the area including salt-water fishing. The cruise ship terminal in Prince Rupert continues to be a favoured stop for boats travelling north.</p>	

The notes above and later in this report on Demographics and Projections are the basis for BC Stats population projection P33 completed in the Summer of 2008. The projections are updated annually to reflect known demographic shifts and economic conditions. Full projections with "Components of Change", "Special Age Groups", "5 Year Age Cohorts by Sex", and accompanying notes are available for B.C., the 8 development regions, the 28 regional districts, the 79 local health areas (LHAs) and a number of "special areas" of local interest which are not part of a province-wide geocoding system. Individual areas, including age and sex detail, are modestly priced. Users requiring only total population projections are able to self serve for free from our population projection page: www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/data/pop/pop/popproj.asp The full B.C. level projection is available free on the above page.

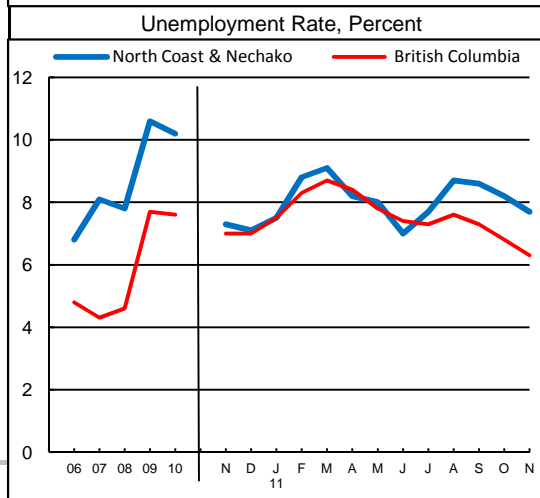
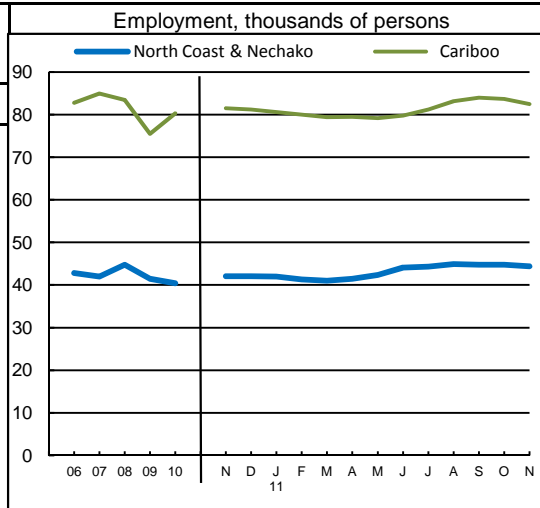
2		Economic Structure - Number of Business Locations, by Sector, by Employment Size, December 2010								
NAICS Code	Industry Sector based on NAICS Canada (North American Industrial Classification System)	Skeena-Queen Charlotte							British Columbia	
		Locations With No Employees	Firms with Employees						With Employees	
			Less Than 20	20 to 49	50 to 199	200 Plus	All Sizes with Emp.	Percent of Total	Percent of Total	All Sizes
	Total, All Industries	643	650	47	23	7	727	100.0%	100.0%	370,262
11	Agric., Forestry, Fishing & Hunt	169	55	3	1	0	59	8.1%	4.1%	15,134
21	Mining & Oil & Gas Extract.	-	2	0	0	0	2	0.3%	0.6%	2,220
22	Utilities	-	3	0	0	0	3	0.4%	0.1%	363
23	Construction	66	53	3	0	0	56	7.7%	14.0%	51,926
31	Manufacturing (31-33)	16	21	1	2	3	27	3.7%	3.2%	11,824
41	Wholesale Trade	11	19	1	3	0	23	3.2%	4.4%	16,471
44	Retail Trade (44-45)	43	110	7	3	1	121	16.6%	8.1%	30,041
48	Transp. & Warehousing (48-49)	61	59	7	1	0	67	9.2%	5.1%	18,964
51	Information & Cultural Indust.	8	9	1	0	0	10	1.4%	1.5%	5,509
52	Finance & Insurance	26	12	4	1	0	17	2.3%	5.4%	19,946
53	Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	67	24	0	0	0	24	3.3%	11.2%	41,389
54	Profes'nl, Scientif. & Tech. Srv	50	45	2	0	0	47	6.5%	13.1%	48,449
55	Mgmt. of Companies & Enter.	18	5	0	0	0	5	0.7%	3.9%	14,283
56	Admin. & Sup'rt, Waste Mgmt.	32	35	0	1	0	36	5.0%	4.5%	16,769
61	Educational Services	4	6	0	1	1	8	1.1%	1.2%	4,290
62	Health Care & Social Assistance	5	46	4	2	1	53	7.3%	5.6%	20,661
71	Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	12	19	0	1	0	20	2.8%	1.7%	6,187
72	Accom. & Food Services	21	60	9	2	0	71	9.8%	4.3%	15,964
81	Other Serv's (ex. Public Admin.)	34	62	2	0	0	64	8.8%	7.8%	28,939
91	Public Administration	-	5	3	5	1	14	1.9%	0.3%	933

Source: Statistics Canada, Business Register Division. Note: This table formerly identified **business establishments**.



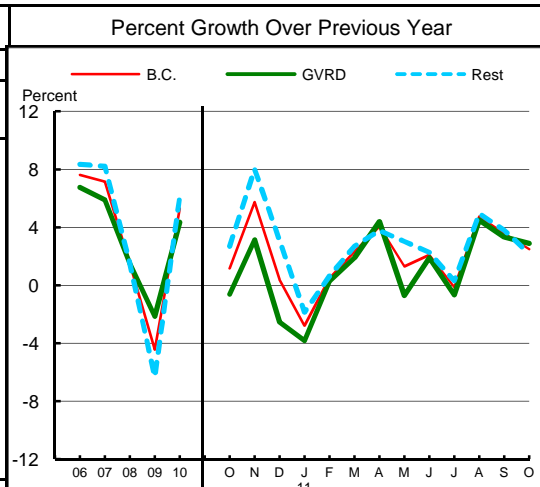
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3 Employment and Unemployment Rate, monthly data are 3-month moving average, actual, ending in stated month						
	North Coast & Nechako		Cariboo		British Columbia	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
2001	46.6	11.2	79.2	9.7	1,919.7	7.7
2002	44.6	12.7	77.3	12.6	1,952.8	8.5
2003	44.4	11.4	77.3	11.0	1,998.0	8.0
2004	41.9	11.8	79.4	9.2	2,032.8	7.2
2005	45.2	7.9	79.3	7.4	2,091.9	5.8
2006	42.8	6.8	82.8	6.1	2,147.2	4.8
2007	42.0	8.1	85.0	5.1	2,222.6	4.3
2008	44.8	7.8	83.5	6.7	2,266.4	4.6
2009	41.5	10.6	75.5	12.1	2,217.9	7.7
2010	40.4	10.2	80.3	8.1	2,256.5	7.6
Jan	39.3	10.7	74.7	12.1	2,219.8	8.0
Feb	39.1	10.3	74.6	11.6	2,213.3	8.1
Mar	38.5	11.5	75.0	10.4	2,213.2	8.2
Apr	38.0	12.0	77.2	8.2	2,224.5	7.8
May	38.0	12.8	78.9	7.5	2,238.7	7.8
Jun	39.4	11.9	81.7	7.1	2,258.8	7.6
Jul	40.7	11.9	82.7	8.6	2,277.1	7.7
Aug	41.3	11.0	83.9	8.4	2,289.9	7.8
Sep	41.5	10.6	83.1	8.4	2,284.5	7.8
Oct	42.0	8.9	82.3	7.6	2,278.8	7.5
Nov	42.1	7.3	81.5	7.1	2,273.6	7.0
Dec	42.1	7.1	81.2	7.0	2,269.6	7.0
2011						
Jan	42.0	7.5	80.6	7.2	2,250.0	7.5
Feb	41.3	8.8	80.0	7.5	2,232.3	8.3
Mar	41.0	9.1	79.4	7.6	2,227.7	8.7
Apr	41.5	8.2	79.5	7.1	2,240.5	8.4
May	42.4	8.0	79.2	7.2	2,261.0	7.8
Jun	44.1	7.0	79.8	7.4	2,280.1	7.4
Jul	44.3	7.7	81.2	7.5	2,295.3	7.3
Aug	44.9	8.7	83.2	8.1	2,298.0	7.6
Sep	44.8	8.6	84.0	8.1	2,300.7	7.3
Oct	44.8	8.2	83.7	7.8	2,299.8	6.8
Nov	44.4	7.7	82.5	6.9	2,296.6	6.3
Dec						
Average:						
Jan-Nov10	40.3	10.4	80.1	8.4	2,256.8	7.7
Jan-Nov11	43.4	8.3	81.1	7.5	2,273.7	7.5
% Change	7.7		1.3		0.7	



Source: Labour Force Survey, Statistics Canada. Sub-provincial regions are development regions or census metropolitan areas.

4 Retail Sales - based on Statistics Canada monthly survey						
Year or Year/Year-to-Date	\$ millions of retail sales			Percent change on year ago		
	B.C.	Greater Vancouver	Rest of Province	B.C.	Greater Vancouver	Rest of Province
2006	53,133.4	24,301.6	28,831.9	7.6	6.7	8.3
2007	56,930.4	25,733.1	31,197.3	7.1	5.9	8.2
2008	57,783.0	26,116.0	31,667.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
2009	55,221.9	25,556.4	29,665.6	-4.4	-2.1	-6.3
2010	58,144.7	26,667.6	31,477.1	5.3	4.3	6.1
Jan-Sep 2010	42,773.1	19,620.4	23,152.6			
Jan-Sep 2011	43,551.2	19,871.0	23,680.1	1.8	1.3	2.3



Source: B.C. & GVRD data - Statistics Canada, CANSIM 080-0020, unadjusted data.



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Was 5 **Manufacturing Principal Statistics - Search at www.made-in-bc.ca for local firms, products and more**

This table is discontinued. Sub-provincial manufacturing principal statistics are no longer being produced.

The methodology used to generate Room Revenue estimates is being refined and as a result the regularly scheduled release of the data from April through August 2011 was interrupted. BC Stats will be publishing updated estimates, including revisions to previously-released data, in September of 2011. We apologize for any inconvenience to users.

5		Tourism Room Revenue (\$ Thousands)					Tourism Room Revenue Index 2004=100	
	Year	Total/YTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Index	
Skeena-Q.Charlotte Regional District	2006	13,605.0	1,358.0	3,842.0	7,012.0	1,393.0		
	2007	16,615.0	1,669.0	4,602.0	8,594.0	1,750.0		
	2008	16,061.0	1,762.0	4,682.0	7,840.0	1,777.0		
	2009	13,839.0	1,743.0	3,624.0	7,048.0	1,424.0		
	2010	14,503.0	1,708.0	4,248.0	8,547.0			
British Columbia	2006	1,807,466.0	366,131.0	450,720.0	652,402.0	338,213.0		
	2007	1,807,466.0	366,131.0	450,720.0	652,402.0	338,213.0		
	2008	1,977,385.0	435,234.0	503,243.0	687,790.0	351,118.0		
	2009	1,743,074.0	378,897.0	423,761.0	617,008.0	323,408.0		
	2010	1,594,984.0	502,294.0	441,819.0	650,871.0			
2009 Room Revenue by Accommodation Type (\$Thousands %Share)								
TOTAL	13,779.0	100.0%						
Hotels	6,137.0	44.5%						
Motels	2,609.0	18.9%						
*City of Prince Rupert	7,980.0	57.9%						

asterisk before location denotes sub-area detail

Source: Hotel tax database maintained by Consumer Taxation Branch, Ministry of Small Business and Revenue
 Published in detail monthly by BC Stats.

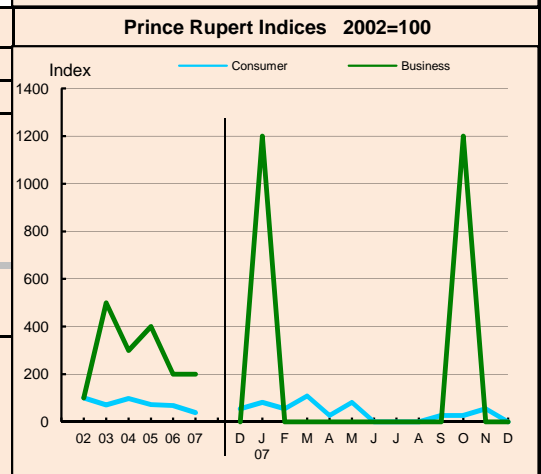
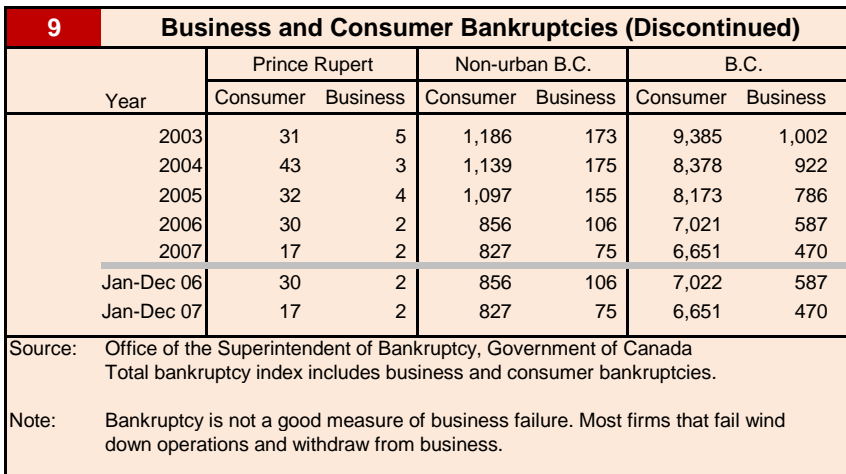
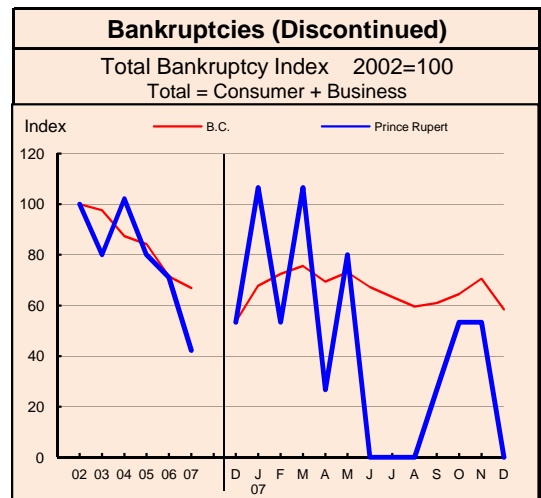
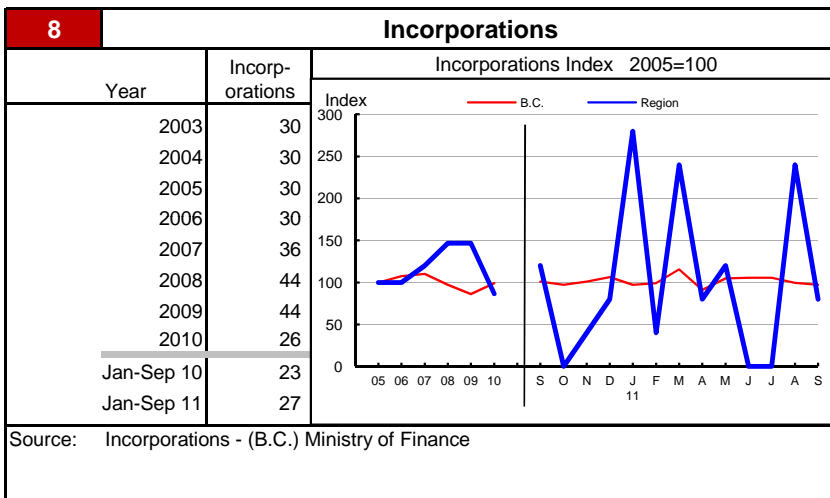
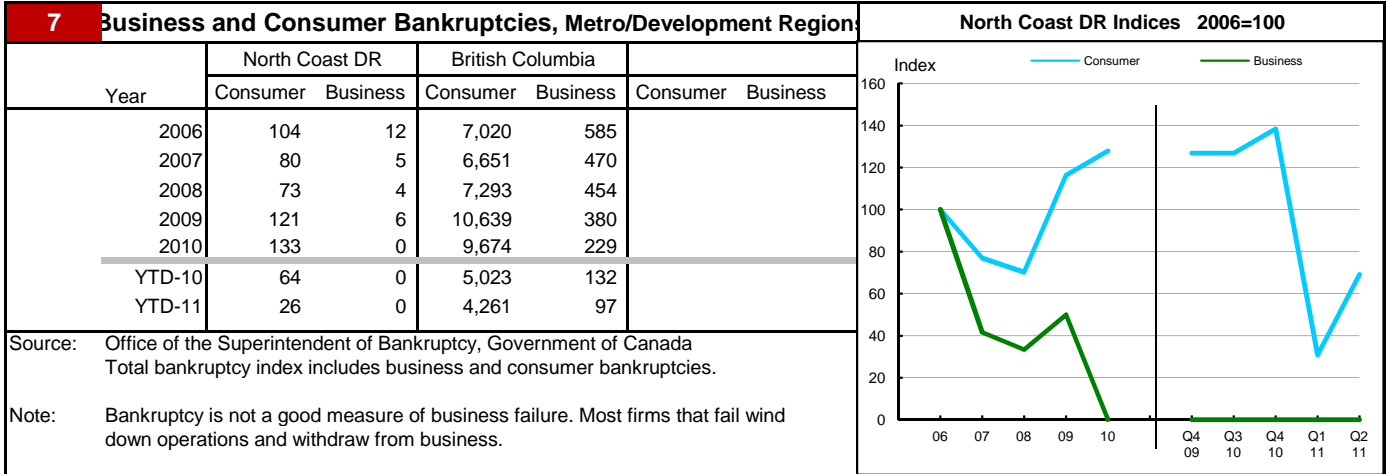
All room revenue data has been revised. For an explanation, see our periodical called Tourism Sector Monitor, April and May issues of 2009.
 Link to explanation of changes: http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/pubs/pr_tour.asp

6		Building Permits					Total Permits Index 2005=100	
Year	Total Building Permits	Non Residential				Residential	Index	
		Total Non Res.	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional & Gov't		B.C.	Region
<-- \$ Millions -->							Units	
2003	12.0	9.4	7.6	1.7	0.1	2.6		
2004	4.2	1.3	0.2	0.8	0.3	2.8		
2005	8.8	5.3	0.1	1.8	3.4	3.5		
2006	12.8	6.7	0.5	5.3	0.8	6.2		
2007	8.8	4.1	0.1	3.5	0.6	4.7		
2008	12.0	2.3	0.3	1.7	0.3	9.7		
2009	20.0	15.2	0.4	2.1	12.7	4.8		
2010	7.3	3.2	1.0	1.6	0.6	4.1		
Jan-Oct 10	5.9	2.7	0.6	1.5	0.6	3.2		
Jan-Oct 11	11.3	6.8	0.3	6.4	0.1	4.5		

Not all projects require a building permit, and not all municipalities & regions report. Latest month preliminary, previous month is revised.
 Source: Statistics Canada (data collected from municipal and Regional District offices).



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Dependence on the Safety Net

10 Basic Income Assistance (Basic Income Assistance Recipients in Subject Group as a percent of Reference Group)						11 Employment Insurance (was UI) (EI beneficiaries as a percent of Reference Group)										
Subject Group (receiving benefits)		All (0-64)	Children <19 yrs in Families	Young Adults (19-24)	'Mid' Group (25-54)	Single Parent Women	Working Age (19-64)	Young Adults (19-24)	'Mid' Group (25-54)	'Older' Workers (55-64)	Note Older Data					
Reference Group		Total Pop. 0-64	Total Pop. <19	Total Pop. 19-24	Total Pop. 25-54	Tot. Female 19-64	Total Pop. 19-64	Total Pop. 19-24	Total Pop. 25-54	Total Pop. 55-64						
Skeena-Q.Charlotte Regional District	Sep '08	6.3	10.6	6.0	5.3	2.9	3.1	1.9	3.6	2.2	Sep '07					
	Dec '08	6.5	10.1	7.1	5.8	2.7	8.3	6.3	9.0	7.1	Dec '07					
	Mar '09	7.4	11.7	7.5	6.8	2.9	8.5	6.4	9.6	6.4	Mar '08					
	Jun '09	7.4	11.5	7.9	6.9	3.1	7.6	4.3	9.1	4.9	Jun '08					
	Sep '09	6.4	10.0	5.8	6.0	2.8	2.5	1.7	3.0	1.5	Sep '08					
	Dec '09	7.6	11.3	8.3	7.3	2.9	8.7	6.6	9.7	7.2	Dec '08					
	Mar '10	8.0	11.9	9.1	7.5	3.1	10.2	8.0	11.7	7.2	Mar '09					
	Jun '10	8.2	12.3	8.6	7.7	2.9	5.8	4.7	6.7	3.7	Jun '09					
	Sep '10	7.3	11.0	7.5	6.9	2.9	4.5	3.0	5.4	3.1	Sep '09					
Duration of Dependence on Income Assistance (As of September 2010)		All* Income Assistance Recipients as % of Total Pop 0-64: Region Compared to B.C.					EI Beneficiaries Aged 19-64 as % of Working Age Population									
Region		Percent					Percent									
B.C.		Region					B.C.					Region				
Total Number of Recipients	1,070	75,506														
Percent Distribution by Duration																
<1 Year	49.8	56.9														
1-2 Years	25.6	24.5														
>2 Years	24.6	18.6														
Source: Ministry of Social Development administrative files and BC Stats population estimates. These figures include only a subset of those receiving income assistance. Excluded are those on Continuous Assistance (disabled or with persistent multiple barriers to employment, children in the home of a relative, and OAS/seniors. A recipient is defined as 'each person living in a family or living alone that is receiving basic income assistance'. Data does not include Aboriginal people living on Reserve. Note: '-' Data too small to release.						Source: Ministry of Social Development and BC Stats population estimates.										
12 Dependence on Basic Income Assistance and/or Employment Insurance (Basic Income Assistance Recipients + Employment Insurance Recipients in Subject Group as a percent of Reference Group)																
Subject Group (receiving assistance)		All (19-64)	Young Adults (19-24)	'Mid' Group (25-54)	'Older' Group (55-64)	All 'Safety Net' Recipients as % of Total Pop 19-64: Region Compared to B.C.										
Reference Group		Total Pop. 19-64	Total Pop. 19-24	Total Pop. 25-54	Total Pop. 55-64	Percent										
Skeena-Q.Charlotte Regional District	Sep '07	7.2	9.6	7.9	3.7											
	Dec '07	13.1	14.2	14.4	8.4											
	Mar '08	13.7	14.0	15.6	8.1											
	Jun '08	12.6	11.3	14.9	6.4											
	Sep '08	7.0	7.8	8.2	3.2											
	Dec '08	13.7	13.6	15.4	8.9											
	Mar '09	15.9	15.4	18.4	9.1											
	Jun '09	11.6	12.4	13.5	5.6											
	Sep '09	9.5	8.7	11.3	5.1											

Note: This data should be revamped in early 2012 with EI data coming from Statistics Canada and IA data from Ministry of Social Development.



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13 Demographics

Skeena-Queen Charlotte has generally experienced net migration outflows and an overall loss of population over the last twenty years. The structure of the population has shifted as it has aged, adding over 10.5 years to its median age since the mid 1980s. Despite this ageing, this is a young population, with a 2007 median almost 1.5 years younger than the provincial median. Fertility has declined over the last two decades but remains much higher than provincial levels. High fertility and the young population is reflected in the ratio of children (aged 17 and under) to working age population (aged 18 to 64), which is much higher than the provincial ratio despite a decline over the last two decades. The ratio of elderly (aged 65 and over) to working age population, is much lower than the provincial ratio although it has increased over the time period. The sex ratio for this area is heavily weighted in favour of males, in contrast to the province as a whole, which has more females than males. This is likely due to the dependence on male-dominated resource industries. Natural increase (i.e., the excess of births over deaths) has offset some of the migration outflows, but in many years there has been a population decline. From 2001 to 2007 the population in this region shrunk by 9 percent.

14 Projection

This region has generally experienced net outflows of migrants but this trend is expected to reverse at least marginally in the long term as the resource sector recuperates. Deaths will likely begin to exceed births roughly halfway through the projection period, and growth rates will decrease as natural increase declines. As a result of net outflows in the first part of the projection and negative natural increase in the latter part of the projection, this region will likely see a small decrease in the size of its population, in the order of about 500 people. Overall dependency will continue to increase as the population ages, and by 2036 there are projected to be about 8 dependents for every 10 people of working age.

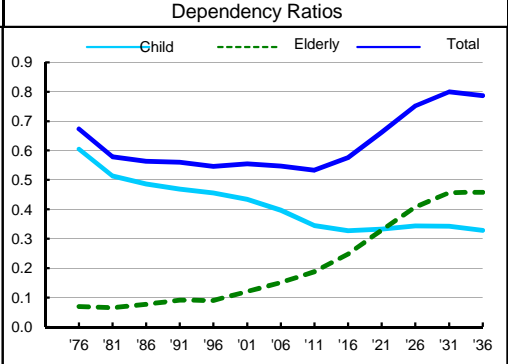
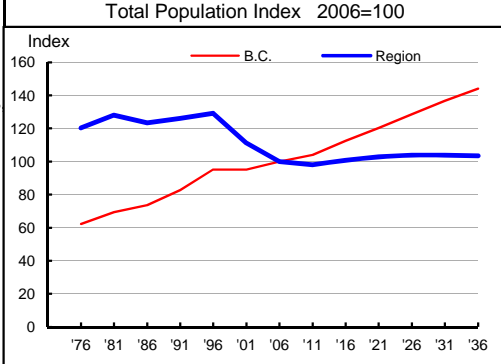
15 Selected Demographic Characteristics

Year	Population by age group, Thousands of persons							Households (,000)	Dependency Ratios			Year
	0-4	5-17	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	All Ages		Child	Elderly	Total	
1976	2.5	6.2	3.5	7.3	3.5	1.0	24.0	6.8	0.605	0.069	0.674	1976
1981	2.4	5.9	4.1	8.7	3.4	1.1	25.6	7.9	0.513	0.065	0.578	1981
1986	2.3	5.4	3.1	8.9	3.7	1.2	24.6	8.3	0.486	0.077	0.564	1986
1991	2.4	5.2	2.7	9.3	4.2	1.5	25.2	8.7	0.469	0.091	0.560	1991
1996	2.2	5.4	2.6	9.2	4.9	1.5	25.8	9.2	0.456	0.090	0.546	1996
2001	1.6	4.6	1.9	6.9	5.4	1.7	22.2	8.2	0.434	0.121	0.555	2001
2006	1.2	3.9	1.8	5.3	5.9	1.9	20.0	8.0	0.396	0.151	0.547	2006
2011	1.1	3.3	2.1	4.5	6.2	2.4	19.6	8.1	0.344	0.188	0.532	2011
2016	1.1	3.1	1.9	4.9	6.0	3.2	20.1	8.6	0.327	0.248	0.575	2016
2021	1.1	3.0	1.7	5.1	5.6	4.1	20.5	8.9	0.333	0.329	0.662	2021
2026	1.1	3.0	1.5	5.4	4.9	4.8	20.7	9.0	0.344	0.408	0.752	2026
2031	1.0	2.9	1.6	5.4	4.5	5.3	20.8	9.1	0.343	0.457	0.800	2031
2036	1.0	2.8	1.6	5.0	5.0	5.3	20.7	9.2	0.328	0.458	0.787	2036

Age groups reflect pre-school, school, advanced education, family formation, mature workers and retired.

Child Dependency:
 (ages 0-17) / (ages 18-64)

Elderly Dependency:
 (ages 65+) / (ages 18-64)



Source: Population data are Projection P-36, run in Summer 2011. Figures are adjusted for Census undercount and are for July 1st of stated year.
 Note: Demographics and Projection notes in Tables 13 and 14 are from Projection P-33, run the Summer 2008.